

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1370 - SB 1434

February 1, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Codifies a new procedure for issuing arrest warrants and criminal summons for misdemeanor and felony offenses.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under the proposed legislation, an arrest warrant for a felony offense can only be issued to an affiant who is a law enforcement officer unless a warrant is necessary to prevent immediate danger of domestic or aggravated assault. Otherwise, a criminal summons must be issued.
- If an affiant is not a law enforcement officer and seeks a warrant for a misdemeanor offense, the magistrate shall issue a criminal summons unless the affiant requests a warrant and the magistrate agrees that a warrant should be issued.
- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, any impact on the courts' caseloads can be accommodated within existing resources.
- According to the District Attorneys General Conference and the District Public Defenders Conference, the proposed legislation will not significantly impact their caseloads.
- According to local law enforcement agencies, the proposed legislation will not significantly impact their agencies.
- According to the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission, any cost of training law enforcement officers on the new procedure can be accommodated within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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